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Ms. Bri Bill, Community Involvement Coordinator  
Office of Public Affairs (P-19J)  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
77 West Jackson Boulevard  
Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590

Re: City of Cleveland's Comments to the Engineering/Cost Analysis for Master Metals  
Superfund Site

Dear Ms. Bill:

I would like to concur with the City of Cleveland Law Department's comments in the letter to you dated April 29, 1999. I feel that it thoroughly covers the areas of concern to the City in the final remediation of this much abused site.

However, I would like to emphasize the critical need to restore this site to such a condition that it would be suitable for future development. We strongly object to the contaminated soil from the perimeter areas being placed on the site and we feel that alternative methods must be reviewed to reduce the contamination of the slag and other areas underlying the property to the extent that would allow the safe placement of underground utilities.

After at least sixteen years of neglect, it does not suffice to just contain the contamination and make the property into a "no man's land". Sufficient steps need to be taken to bring this property back to productive use for the benefit of the citizens of this community. Any less than that would not be acceptable.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 216-664-4000.

Sincerely,

Linda Hudecek, Director  
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